### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

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In re:	) (	Chapter 11
WEALSHIRE REHAB, LLC,	) ) ( )	Case No. 24-09110
Debtor.	) ) I )	Honorable Donald R. Cassling

### **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on July 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., I will appear before the Honorable Judge Donald R. Cassling, or any judge sitting in that judge's place, either in courtroom 619 of the Everett McKinley Dirksen United States, 219 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Illinois 60604 and present the *Debtor's Application to Employ and Retain Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC as Counsel to the Debtor Effective as of June 20, 2024* (the "Application") filed by Wealshire Rehab, LLC, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Important: Only parties and their counsel may appear for presentment of the motion electronically using Zoom for Government. All others must appear in person.

**To appear by video**, use this link: <a href="https://www.zoomgov.com/join">https://www.zoomgov.com/join</a>. Then enter the meeting ID and password.

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Meeting ID and passcode. The meeting ID for this hearing is 161 414 7941 and the passcode is 619. Additional information can be found on the Judge's webpage on the court's website: https://www.ilnb.uscourts.gov/content/judge-donald-r-cassling

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that if you object to this Application and want it called on the presentment date above, you must file a Notice of Objection no later than two (2) business days before that date. If a Notice of Objection is timely filed, the Application will be called on the presentment date. If no Notice of Objection is timely filed, the court may grant the Application in advance without a hearing.

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Dated: July 9, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

### WEALSHIRE REHAB, LLC

By: /s/ Harold D. Israel

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Harold D. Israel, the undersigned attorney, hereby certify that on July 9, 2024, I caused a copy of the *Notice of Application* and *Application of the Debtor to Employ and Retain Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC as Counsel to the Debtor Effective as of June 20, 2024* to be filed via the Court's ECF system and served via first class U.S. Mail at 2:00 p.m., as indicated below.

/s/ Harold D. Israel

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In re:	) ) (	Chapter 11
WEALSHIRE REHAB, LLC,	) ) ( )	Case No. 24-09110
Debtor.	) ) ]	Honorable Donald R. Cassling

# DEBTOR'S APPLICATION TO EMPLOY AND RETAIN LEVENFELD PEARLSTEIN, LLC AS COUNSEL TO THE DEBTOR EFFECTIVE AS OF JUNE 20, 2024

The above-captioned debtor and debtor-in possession (the "Debtor") in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the "Chapter 11 Case"), hereby files its application (the "Application") for entry of an order under section 327(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") and Rule 2014(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), authorizing it to retain and employ Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC ("LP") as its counsel, effective as of June 20, 2024. In support of this Application, the Debtor has relied upon the Declaration of Harold D. Israel in Support of Application for Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC as Counsel to the Debtor Effective as of June 20, 2024 (the "Israel Declaration"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. In support of this Application, the Debtor submits the Israel Declaration and respectfully states as follows:

### **JURISDICTION**

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over this Application under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
  - 2. Venue of this proceeding and the Application in this District is proper under 28

### **BACKGROUND**

- 3. On June 20, 2024 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois (the "<u>Court</u>"). The Debtor is operating its business and managing its property as a debtor-in-possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 4. The Debtor has elected to proceed under subchapter V of Chapter 11, as it has, in the aggregate as of the Petition Date, liquidated, non-contingent debt in an amount less than \$7.5 million. No creditors' committee has been appointed in the Chapter 11 Case pursuant section 1102(a)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code. A chapter 11 trustee or examiner have not been appointed, however, in accordance with section 1183 of the Bankruptcy Code, Robert Handler has been appointed the Subchapter V trustee (the "Subchapter V Trustee") in the Chapter 11 Case.
- 5. A detailed description of the Debtor and its business and the facts and circumstances supporting this Application and the Debtor's Chapter 11 Case, are set forth in greater detail in the *Declaration of Arnold Goldberg in Support of Chapter 11 Petition and First Day Pleadings* [Docket No. 20].

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

6. By this Application, the Debtor respectfully requests that the Court enter an order under section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a) authorizing the Debtor to employ and retain LP as its counsel to perform the legal services that will be necessary during the Chapter 11 Case, effective as of the Petition Date.

### **LP'S QUALIFICATIONS**

7. LP has extensive experience and knowledge in the fields of corporate

reorganization and bankruptcy law and is particularly well qualified for the type of representation that is required by the Debtor.

### **SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED**

- 8. The Debtor contemplates that the legal services to be rendered by LP may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:
  - a. advising the Debtor with respect to its powers and duties as a debtor-in-possession in the continued management and operation of its business;
  - b. attending meetings and negotiating with representatives of creditors and other parties in interest;
  - c. taking all necessary action to protect and preserve the Debtor's estate, including prosecuting actions on the Debtor's behalf, defending any action commenced against the Debtor, and representing the Debtor's interests in negotiations concerning all litigation in which the Debtor is involved, including objections to claims filed against its estate;
  - d. preparing all motions, applications, answers, orders, reports, and papers necessary to the administration of the Debtor's estate and its Chapter 11 Case;
  - e. taking any necessary action on behalf of the Debtor to obtain approval of a plan of reorganization;
  - f. representing the Debtor in connection with obtaining use of cash collateral;
  - g. advising the Debtor in connection with any potential sale of assets;
  - h. appearing before the Court, any appellate courts, and the United States Trustee and protecting the interests of the Debtor's estate before those courts and the United States Trustee; and
  - i. performing all other necessary legal services to the Debtor in connection with the Chapter 11 Case, including, without limitation, (i) the analysis of the Debtor's leases and executory contracts and the assumption, rejection, or assignment thereof, (ii) the analysis of the validity of liens against the Debtor, and (iii) advice on corporate, litigation, and other matters.

### **TERMS OF RETENTION**

- 9. The Debtor requests that all legal fees and related costs incurred by the Debtor on account of services rendered by LP in this Chapter 11 Case be paid as an administrative expense of the Debtor's estate in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and applicable orders entered in the Chapter 11 Case. Subject to the Court's approval, LP will charge for its legal services on an hourly basis, billed in tenth-of-an-hour increments, in accordance with its hourly rates in effect on the date that such services are rendered. LP's billing rates for attorneys for the 2024 calendar year range from approximately \$455 to \$570 per hour for associates and \$530 to \$975 per hour for partners. Time devoted by legal assistants and law clerks for the 2024 calendar year is expected to be charged at billing rates ranging from approximately \$215 to \$460 per hour. These hourly rates are subject to periodic adjustments to reflect economic and other conditions. LP will maintain detailed records of any actual and necessary costs incurred in connection with the aforementioned legal services. LP intends to apply to the Court for compensation and reimbursement of expenses in accordance with applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois.
- 10. The names, positions, and hourly rates for the 2024 calendar year of the LP professionals presently expected to be primarily responsible for providing services to the Debtor are Harold D. Israel partner (\$760/hour), Jack O'Connor partner (\$665/hour), and Sean P. Williams partner (\$595/hour). In addition, from time to time, it will be necessary for other LP professionals to provide services to the Debtor.
  - 11. It is LP's policy to charge its clients in all areas of practice for identifiable,

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The rates charged by each LP professional differ based on, among other things, such professional's level of experience and the rates normally charged by similar professionals.

non-overhead expenses incurred in connection with the client's case that would not have been incurred except for representation of that particular client. It is also LP's policy to charge its clients only the amount actually incurred by LP in connection with such items. Examples of such expenses are postage, overnight mail, courier delivery, transportation, overtime expenses, computer-assisted legal research, photocopying and printing, outgoing facsimile transmissions, mileage, meals, and lodging.

### LP'S DISINTERESTEDNESS

- 12. The standard for a debtor in possession to employ attorneys as general bankruptcy counsel is set forth in sections 327(a) and 1107 of the Bankruptcy Code, as interpreted by the Seventh Circuit. Those sections provide that a debtor in possession, with the court's approval, may employ attorneys "that do not hold or represent an interest adverse to the estates" and that are "disinterested persons." 11 U.S.C. §§ 327(a), 1107; see also In re Granite Sheet Metal Works, Inc., 159 B.R. 840, 845 (Bankr. S.D. Ill. 1993) ("The debtor in possession's choice of counsel is limited to disinterested persons who do not hold or represent an interest adverse to the estates."). A "disinterested person" is defined as one who does not have an interest materially adverse to the interest of the estate, by reason of any direct or indirect relationship with the Debtor, or for any other reason. 11 U.S.C. § 101(14)(e). In general, however, subject to the requirements of sections 327(a) and 1107, a debtor in possession is entitled to the counsel of their choosing. See, e.g., In re Vouzianas, 259 F.3d 103, 108 (2d Cir. 2001) (observing that "[o]nly in the rarest cases should the trustee be deprived of the privilege of selecting his own counsel").
- 13. Prior to the commencement of this Chapter 11 Case, on June 19, 2024, LP received \$25,000.00 from the Debtor and on June 20, 2024, LP received \$75,000.00 from eCapital Healthcare Corp., on behalf of the Debtor. Prior to filing, LP first applied \$80,067.30 to prepetition

invoices, leaving a balance of \$19,923.70 (the "Retainer") as of June 20, 2024.

- 14. LP further requests that it be allowed to apply the Retainer to the following remaining expenses upon Court approval: \$1,738.00 for the filing fee for the Debtor's Chapter 11 Case.
- 15. The balance of the Retainer, \$18,185.70, if LP is allowed to apply its Retainer to the filing fee, will be held to be applied for post-petition fees and expenses as approved by the Court.
- 16. To the best of the Debtor's knowledge, and except as disclosed in the Israel Declaration, LP does not hold or represent any interest adverse to the Debtor's estate. LP is a "disinterested person," as that phrase is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code (as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code), and LP's employment is necessary and in the best interests of the Debtor and the Debtor's estate.
- 17. Consistent with Bankruptcy Rule 2016(b), LP has not shared or agreed to share (a) any compensation it has received or may receive in connection with this chapter 11 case with another party or person, other than with the partners, of counsel, associates, contractors, law clerks, and employees associated with LP or (b) any compensation another person or party has received or may receive in connection with this Chapter 11 Case.
- 18. LP's employment retroactive to the Petition Date is appropriate under the circumstances and applicable Bankruptcy Rules. Indeed, "[t]he concept of retroactive compensation is incorporated into the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, including Bankruptcy Rule 6003(a), [under which] an application for employment may not be approved within the first 21 days of a bankruptcy case, absent a need to avoid immediate and irreparable harm." In re Mallinckrodt plc, No. BR 20-12522-JTD, 2022 WL 906451, at \*8 (D. Del. Mar. 28,

2022) (quoting In re Miller, 620 B.R. 637, 642 (Bankr. E.D. Cal. 2020)). Bankruptcy Rule 6003(a)

provides that "[e]xcept to the extent that relief is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable

harm, the court shall not, within 21 days after the filing of the petition, issue an order granting the

following: (a) an application under Rule 2014." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 6003(a). The hearing on this

Application is the earliest possible date 21 days after the Petition Date and should be approved

retroactive to the Petition Date.

**NOTICE** 

19. Notice of this Application has been served upon: (a) the Office of the United States

Trustee; (b) eCapital Healthcare Corp.; (c) Cambridge Realty Capital Ltd. Of Illinois; (d) the top

20 creditors listed on the Debtor's petition and state and federal taxing agencies; (e) the Subchapter

V Trustee; and (f) those parties that have filed an appearance in the Chapter 11 Case via CM/ECF.

In light of the nature of the relief requested, the Debtor respectfully submits that no further notice

is required.

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WHEREFORE, the Debtor respectfully requests the entry of an order: (a) authorizing and approving the employment and retention of LP as counsel to the Debtor effective as of the Petition Date and (b) granting such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

Dated: July 9, 2024 Respectfully submitted,

### WEALSHIRE REHAB, LLC

By: /s/ Harold D. Israel

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Debtor in Possession

### EXHIBIT A

### DECLARATION OF HAROLD D. ISRAEL

### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

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### DECLARATION OF HAROLD D. ISRAEL IN SUPPORT OF DEBTOR'S APPLICATION TO EMPLOY AND RETAIN LEVENFELD PEARLSTEIN, LLC AS COUNSEL TO THE DEBTOR EFFECTIVE AS OF JUNE 20, 2024

- I, Harold D. Israel, being duly sworn, state the following under penalty of perjury.
- 1. I am a partner in the law firm of Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC ("LP"), located 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 1800, Chicago, Illinois 60606. I am a member in good standing of the Bar of the State of Illinois and am admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Second, Seventh, and Tenth Circuits, the United States District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, and the United States District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin. There are no disciplinary proceedings pending against me.
- 2. I am in all respects competent to make this declaration (the "<u>Declaration</u>") in support of the application (the "<u>Application</u>") of the above-captioned Debtor (the "<u>Debtor</u>") to retain LP as its counsel pursuant to section 327(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>") and Rule 2014(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules").

- 3. In connection with the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the "<u>Chapter 11 Case</u>"), the Debtor has requested authorization to generally retain LP as its attorneys in this chapter 11 case. The Debtor currently seeks to retain LP, subject to the oversight and orders of the Court, to advise the Debtor with respect to certain matters, including, but not limited to the following:
  - a. advising the Debtor with respect to its powers and duties as a debtor-in-possession in the continued management and operation of its business;
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- 10. The balance of the Retainer, \$18,185.70, if LP is allowed to apply its Retainer to remaining prepetition expenses, will be held to be applied for post-petition fees and expenses as approved by the Court.
- 11. In preparing this affidavit and the Application, LP used a set of procedures established to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules. In that regard, a list of known parties in interest is attached hereto as <u>Schedule 1</u> (the "<u>Conflicts Check List</u>").
- 12. In connection with its proposed retention by the Debtor in this Chapter 11 Case, LP researched its computer client database to determine whether it has any relationships with any of the entities listed in the Debtor's mailing matrix filed with the petition. LP's conflict database includes the names of: (i) current and former clients and, where practical, the known affiliates of those clients; (ii) current and former adverse parties; and (iii) certain current and former related

parties in matters upon which LP has been or is currently engaged.

- 13. LP maintains and systematically updates its conflict check system in the regular course of its business, and it is the regular practice of LP to make and maintain these records. It is the policy of LP that no new matter be accepted or opened within the firm without completing and submitting to those charged with maintaining the conflict check system the information necessary to check each such matter for conflicts, including the identity of the prospective client, the matter, and the related adverse parties. Accordingly, it is LP's regular practice to update its database for every new matter undertaken by LP.
- 14. Insofar as I have been able to ascertain, neither I, LP, nor any partner or associate at LP, represent or have any connection with any of the parties in interest listed on <u>Schedule 1</u>, except as disclosed on <u>Schedule 2</u>. Except as set forth herein, any matter for which time has not been posted by an LP timekeeper during the three-year period prior to the Petition Date has not been disclosed.
- 15. Consistent with Bankruptcy Rule 2016(b), LP has not shared or agreed to share (a) any compensation it has received or may receive in connection with this chapter 11 case with another party or person, other than with the partners, of counsel, associates, contractors, law clerks, and employees associated with LP or (b) any compensation another person or party has received or may receive in connection with this Chapter 11 Case.
- 16. In accordance with Local Rule 2016-1, a copy of the engagement agreement between LP and the Debtor is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

	Under 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true an
correct	

Executed on July 9, 2024

/s/ Harold D. Israel

## SCHEDULE 1 Potential Parties in Interest

### **Debtor/Affiliates/Equity Holders**

Wealshire Rehab, LLC Wealshire Plus, LLC

Wealshire Master Tenant LLC

Lincolnshire Properties Limited Partnership

Arnold Goldberg

### **Potential Secured Parties**

eCapital Healthcare Corp.

Cambridge Realty Capital Ltd. of Illinois

### Taxing/Governmental Authorities

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND

**HUMAN SERVICES** 

Department of the Treasury

Illinois Department of Healthcare and

**Family Services** 

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC

HEALTH

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

ILLINOIS DEPT. OF EMPLOYMENT

SEC.

LAKE COUNTY HEALTH

**DEPARTMENT** 

LAKE COUNTY TREASURER

ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND

**MEDICAID** 

#### **Other Parties in Interest**

A PLUS EXHAUSTHOOD

A PLUS FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES

ABILITY NETWORK INC

ABILITY REHABLLC

ACCU-TECH SERVICE INC

ACCURATE BIOMETRICS

ADVANTAGE AMBULANCE

AFFILIATED CUSTOMER SERVICE INC

ALL-STAT PICC LINE LLC

ALL-STAT PORTABLE X-RAY

**SERVICE** 

ALPHA BAKING COMPANY INC

ANDREW SUK LLC

ANGELS HOMECARE SERVICES

APPLOI CORPORATION

ASCENTIUM CAPITAL

BEAVER CREEK CONSTRUCTION LLC

**BEDI & SINGER LLP** 

BERNARD HEALTH

BH WEB SERVICES LLC

**BIZMATCH LLC** 

BUTTERFIELD HEALTH CARE GROUP,

**INC** 

CALIFF & HARPER, P.C.

CAMBRIDGE REALTY CAPITAL LTD

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**MEDICAID** 

CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT OF FINANCE

**CLEAN START SYSTEMS** 

**CLIPBOARD HEALTH** 

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**COZZINI BROS INC** 

CREATIVE SCAPE LANDSCAPERS

CROWN CARE SERVICES

CYNTHIA CHOW & ASSOCIATES LLC

DARLING INGREDIENTS

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FIRST INSURANCE FUNDING

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FOCUSED CARE CONSULTING FUSION DESIGN GROUP LTD G L HILLS FUNERAL HOME GENERAL PARTS GROUP LLC

GLOBAL WATER TECHNOLOGY INC.

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SHIFTKEY LLC

SILVER CONCIERGE

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SNOWPLUSHER INC

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### SCHEDULE 2

Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC ("<u>LP</u>") employs approximately 100 attorneys and has a large and diversified legal practice which encompasses the representation of many businesses, financial institutions, individuals, and other creditors. As part of its diverse practice, LP appears in numerous cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different professionals, including other attorneys, accountants, financial consultants, and investment bankers. With respect to each of the clients listed below, LP's representation of such parties was in matters unrelated to the Debtor. Based on LP's current knowledge of the professionals, lenders, creditors, equity holders, and other significant parties in interest involved in this case, LP makes the following disclosures:

CLIENT	STATUS
Cozzini Bros., Inc.	Current Client
Medline Industries, Inc.	Current Client
Cambridge Realty Capital Ltd. of Illinois <sup>1</sup>	Current Client
Legacy Healthcare	Former Client (June 2020)
Arnold Goldberg <sup>2</sup>	Former Client (June 2022)

LP received a conflict waiver from Cambridge Realty Capital Ltd. of Illinois in connection with its representation of the Debtor in this matter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> LP represented Mr. Goldberg, the Debtor's sole member and manager, with respect to certain estate planning matters, in a representation that formally terminated in June 2022. LP has not represented Mr. Goldberg in connection with the Debtor or its Chapter 11 Case.

### EXHIBIT 1 Engagement Letter



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June 3, 2024

#### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL:

Mr. Arnold Goldberg Wealshire Rehab, LLC 150 Jamestown Ln. Lincolnshire, IL 60069 arniegoldberg1@gmail.com

Re: Engagement of Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC.

Dear Mr. Goldberg:

Thank you for your interest in our legal services.

This letter confirms our agreement that Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC ("LP" or the "Firm") will be representing Wealshire Rehab, LLC and certain of its affiliated entities ("you") in connection with their anticipated subchapter V chapter 11 bankruptcy cases (collectively, the "Bankruptcy Case") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois. This particular engagement is limited to the performance of the services we discussed.

My partner Sean Williams and I will have the primary responsibility for your representation, and for keeping you informed of the status of our work, consultation with other professionals in our firm may be necessary. My current rate is \$760, Sean's rate is \$595 and the hourly rates for other professionals range from \$435 to \$1,250 for attorneys and \$370 to \$460 for paralegals. Our fees and services will be based on the time spent on the matter, computed at our hourly rates for the persons performing the services. Our billing rates and fees are subject to adjustment from time to time, usually in January of each year.

We will require an initial advance payment retainer of \$25,000.00 (the "*Initial Retainer*"). This amount should be wire transferred to the following account:

Wire to:

Wintrust Bank

231 S. LaSalle St., 2nd Floor

Chicago, Illinois 60604

ABA Number:

071925444

Account Name:

Levenfeld Pearlstein, LLC

Account No.:

6350020367

SWIFT Code:

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Because this retainer is classified as an "advance payment", you and our Firm agree that the retainer is an immediate prepayment of fees in exchange for our commitment to perform future services in connection with the representation. As such, these funds are treated as Firm funds (and not your funds) and will <u>not</u> be placed in our client trust account. Rather, this advance payment retainer will be deposited into our general operating account. The purpose of requiring an advance payment retainer in this case is to protect our ability to collect fees and costs incurred in connection with our representation of you should you declare bankruptcy or should you become subject to a judgment or other creditor claims. It is our opinion that an advance payment retainer is advantageous to you because an advance payment retainer may be beyond the reach of your creditors. By creating an advance payment retainer with our Firm, this would allow us to continue working for you when otherwise our representation would need to cease if the retainer were disgorged from our Firm by one of your creditors.

Each month as bills are issued to you, the balance held as the advance payment retainer will be applied against the amount owed to our Firm. When our fees and expenses approach the amount of the Initial Retainer, you agree to replenish the Initial Retainer by paying us \$15,000 (or such other amount as we may agree on) within two days of such request (and such amount, a "Supplemental Retainer"). Notwithstanding the forgoing, immediately prior to the filing of the Bankruptcy Case, you agree to an additional Supplemental Retainer by paying us an amount so that the total Supplement Retainer is \$50,000. Any such Supplemental Retainer will also be treated as an advance payment retainer unless agreed otherwise by the Firm in writing. If we request that you pay a Supplemental Retainer, and you do not do so promptly, you hereby authorize us to terminate our representation of you (unless any rule or statute or tribunal with jurisdiction precludes us from doing so). If any sum is unapplied once the engagement has ended, this amount will be refunded to you. Note, the amount of our fees is not limited to the amount of the retainer and (as such) the retainer is not to be considered a flat fee for the representation.

Please note that you do have the option of requiring us to place the retainer into a "security retainer" which will then be deposited into our client funds trust account. You understand and have been advised that other firms may agree to represent you without any form of retainer or based on a requirement that you provide only a "security retainer" account. The effect of this is that a security retainer remains your property during our representation (and therefore subject to the claims of your creditors). However, the monthly application of the retainer against future invoices would continue to occur as set forth above. The choice to place the retainer into a security retainer (instead of an advance payment retainer) is yours alone. If you wish to exercise the option to have the retainer held as a security retainer (and not an advance payment retainer), please DO NOT sign this letter. Rather, please contact me immediately. Note, we have the right to refuse the engagement described herein if you choose to require us to hold the retainer as a security retainer, instead of an advance payment retainer. In such an event, the deposited retainer will be returned to you. If you would like to discuss the difference between the types of retainers described herein, please call and I will explain. If you execute this letter, this will be deemed your direction and agreement to hold the Initial Retainer (and any Supplemental Retainer) described herein as an "advance payment retainer" on the terms described above and not as a security retainer.

The Firm's *Standard Terms of Engagement* is attached and incorporated as part of the terms of this Engagement Letter and will govern both the present engagement and any future assignments we accept from you, unless we otherwise agree.

If you decide to engage LP under the terms and conditions set forth in this letter and the attachment, please sign a copy of this letter where indicated below and forward it to me for our files. You should retain a copy for yourself.

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We are very pleased to be given the opportunity to represent you in this matter. LP is committed to providing you with the best legal representation possible. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Best regards,

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The undersigned acknowledges, agrees and consents to the terms and understandings set forth in the above letter and the attached Standard Terms of Engagement.

WEALSHIRE REHAB, LLC

By: Arnold Goldberg Title: President

Dated: June \_\_\_, 2024